



Happenings in the Office of Attorney General Steve Carter

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Diamonds, Gold, Collectable Coins: Bidding Underway in Unclaimed Property Auction

From the valuable to the unusual, since 2006, Indiana's auction of unclaimed assets has collected more than \$119,000, announced Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter. The auctioned items, found in safe-deposit boxes turned over to the state as unclaimed property, include a 2 carat diamond ring that sold for \$3,250, and a casket key that fetched 99 cents.

"While countless people have checked www.IndianaUnclaimed.com for lost or forgotten assets, many don't know about our online auction," Carter said. "The money collected through the auction is added to Indiana's unclaimed property database and held for its owner. It's one more way that the state is working to reunite Hoosiers with unclaimed assets, and I encourage people to browse, bid, and check back often. You never know what you'll find."



[See the High-Dollar Items Sold!](#)



Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter conducts Unclaimed Property press conference in Fort Wayne

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Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter Presses Onward to Seek a Court Ordered Accounting of \$16 Million in Casino Revenues from Second Century

Attorney General Steve Carter has filed a Petition to Transfer with the Indiana Supreme court asking the justices to review his lawsuit against Second Century, Inc. (Second Century), a private business that has received more than \$16 million from East Chicago riverboat casino revenues, yet has never provided an accounting to the citizens of East Chicago.



"There is a strong basis for moving forward and continuing to present the arguments that this entity should be accountable for \$16 million that appears to have vanished," Carter said. "There has been no proof that these funds intended for economic development have not been wasted. The public is left to wonder how the \$16 million has actually helped them." [Press Release](#)

Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter Commemorates National Crime Victims' Rights Week

Crime makes news, but National Crime Victims' Rights Week offers a chance to look beyond the headlines—and recognize the *victims* of crime.



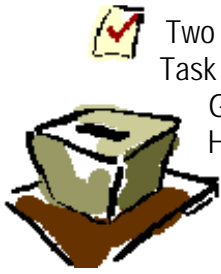
"While their stories and struggles are often overlooked, we encourage Hoosiers to support crime victims this week, and always," said attorney general Steve Carter. "It is also important to note that not all victims experience crimes of violence. Every day, consumers fall prey to identity theft, fraud, and financial schemes."

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Justice for Victims. Justice for All.

Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter and Delaware County Prosecutor Mark McKinney show support for crime victims

East Chicago Firefighter and Police Officer Convicted of Vote Fraud



Two public safety officials have pled guilty to crimes stemming from the Joint Vote Fraud Task Force investigation of the '03 East Chicago primary election, announced Attorney General Steve Carter and Lake County Prosecutor Bernard A. Carter. Demetrios Hasapis is an East Chicago Fireman and Ronald DeCastro is an East Chicago Policeman. [Press Release](#)

Fort Wayne Native and IPFW Alumnus Joins Attorney General Steve Carter's Office as a Deputy Attorney General

Fort Wayne native and Indiana-Purdue University at Fort Wayne (IPFW) alumnus Alex James has taken an oath of office making him a Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana, announced Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter. Carter officiated the ceremony at the Allen County Courthouse where James was a law clerk for Judge Thomas Felts, while pursuing a law degree at the University of Notre Dame Law School. He clerked for Judges David Avery and Nancy Boyer after graduation. James has joined the Government Practice Group of the office.

"Garnering talent from Indiana schools is important to us as we search for attorneys well prepared to represent Indiana in its legal work," Attorney General Steve Carter said. "We are happy to welcome Alex to the attorney general's team where he will focus his attention on government litigation." [Press Release](#)



Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter with Deputy Attorney General Alex James and family